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SUBJECT: EXBS: TAIWAN MONTHLY REPORTING CABLE - JANUARY 2010

II. BROAD ITEMS OF INTEREST TO ADVISORS AND AGENCY MANAGERS:

(U) On January 28, 2010, an online Chinese-language Central News Agency article reported that a Taiwan customs broker and an exporter were prosecuted for violating Taiwan's export control laws.

(U) Sales Manager Wu Yi-wu of LSA Cargo Forwarding Co. Ltd. (the Chinese name of the company is Chia-Yu Forwarding Co. Ltd.) was indicted for aiding Taiwan-based Axiomtek Co. Ltd. (the Chinese name of the company is Ai-Xun Co. Ltd.) to illegally export a controlled Strategic High Tech Commodity to Iran. The Taipei Prosecutor's Office concluded the investigation today.

(U) The Prosecutor's Office deferred prosecution and imposed NTD 600,000 (approximately USD 18,750) in fines against Axiomtek. Prosecution against Axiomtek's Area Sales Manager Lu Wen-juan, Sales Representative Hsu Li-lan, and Shipping Specialist Wu Lin-yu, were also deferred with fines of NTD 80,000 (approximately USD 2,500) against Lu, and NTD 50,000 (approximately USD 1,562) against Hsu and Wu.

(U) According to the Prosecutor's Office, Axiomtek agreed to export controlled SHTC, including computer CPUs and industrial panel PCs, during the period from January 2007 to May 2008. The items were to be delivered directly via air freight from Taiwan to Iran, but Axiomtek was unable to do so. Axiomtek then hired LSA Cargo Forwarding to ship the goods from Taiwan to Hong Kong and then to Iran.

(U) The Prosecutor's Office indicated that lenient penalties were imposed against Axiomtek employees because this was their first offense and they cooperated with the investigation.

II. TRAINING CONDUCTED DURING REPORTING PERIOD:

None

III. UPCOMING TRAINING:

11. (U) A Commodity Identification Instructor Training, implemented by the Department of Energy, is scheduled for March 4 - 7, 2010

12. (U) A WMD Investigation and Prosecution Training, implemented by the Department of Justice, is scheduled for March 10 - 12, 2010.

IV. UPCOMING MEETINGS:

11. (SBU) The Advisor will be in Washington, DC the week of March 15 for meetings/consultations.

12. (SBU) The Advisor will be attending the 2010 EXBS Advisors Conference in Astana, Kazakhstan, the week of April 19.

IV. RED FLAG ISSUES:

None.

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